

MINUTES OF THE

COMMISSIONERS' COURT

REGULAR MEETING - AUGUST 15, 2016

On the 15th day of August, 2016, there was a Regular Meeting of the Commissioners' Court in the Courthouse, Rockport, Aransas County, Texas, with the following members present: **C. H. "Burt" Mills, Jr.**, County Judge; **Jack Chaney**, Commissioner, Precinct 1; **Leslie "Bubba" Casterline**, Commissioner, Precinct 2; **Charles Smith**, Commissioner, Precinct 3; **Betty Stiles**, Commissioner, Precinct 4; and **Valerie K. Amason**, County Clerk.

Other County Officers present were **Alma Cartwright**, Treasurer; **Jeri Cox**, Tax Assessor-Collector; **Bill Mills**, Sheriff; **Lezlie Kirk**, County Auditor; **Michele Bennett**, Elections Administrator; **Linda Garcia**, Executive Assistant to the County Judge; **Timilu Latham**, Chief Deputy County Treasurer; **Collin Jackson**, IT Director; **Pat Rousseau**, Human Resources Director; **Michael Geer**, Airport Manager; **Valerie Gonzalez**, Interim Environmental Health Director; **John Strothman**, Pathways Project Manager; **Diana Espinoza**, Drainage Engineer; **Iris Sanchez**, Library Director; **Ronell Burke**, Chief Animal Control Officer;

Members of Local City Government, Community Groups and other Interested Parties present were **Barbara Gurtner**, Ward 4 City Council Member; **Brian Olsen**, Unopposed Candidate for Precinct 3 Commissioner in upcoming 2016 General Election; **Randall Freeze**, Care Regional - Business Development; and **Norma Martinez**, Managing Editor of the Rockport Pilot Newspaper;

The Meeting was convened at 9:00 a.m. at which time a quorum was declared by Judge Mills, WHEREUPON, the following proceedings were had and done to wit:

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

There were none.

PRESENTATIONS

Kay Adams, Wings Rescue Center, addressed the court and presented an update on the bird rescue volunteer program for Aransas County.

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to approve:

1. Minutes from the Commissioners' Court Workshop Meeting of August 3, 2016 and the Regular Meeting of August 8, 2016. Question. Motion carried unanimously.
It is so ordered.
2. Approve Order of General Election to be held on November 8, 2016. Question. Motion carried unanimously.
It is so ordered.

CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS & LEASES

3. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve renewal of the Program

(Inserts)

Agreement with the Texas Association of Counties for the Affordable Care Act Reporting and Tracking Service (ARTS).
Question. Motion carried unanimously.
It is so ordered.

4. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to **TABLE** (previously tabled, Item #7 on the August 8, 2016 Agenda) Agreement between Aransas County and Christus Spohn for an emergency and primary care clinic.
Question. Motion carried unanimously.
It is so ordered.

5. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve authorizing the County Judge to sign the Provider Contract with X-Ray on Wheels in regards to medical care for the Aransas County Detention Center.
Question. Motion carried unanimously.
It is so ordered.

6. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to approve authorizing the County Judge to sign a one year extension letter to the Provider Contract with Diamond Pharmacy Services in regards to pharmaceutical services for the Aransas County Detention Center.
Question. Motion carried unanimously.
It is so ordered.

(Inserts)

7. Motion was made by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Commissioner Casterline to approve authorizing the County Judge to sign a service agreement with Lonestar Shredding for a one time onsite document shredding service.
Question. Motion carried unanimously.
It is so ordered.

PLANNING & BUDGET OFFICE

8. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Stiles to approve accepting a bid for installation of a new video surveillance system at the airport.
Question. Motion carried unanimously.
It is so ordered.
9. Accept and Record receipt of the 2015 General Tax Fund Levy Report from Aransas County Tax Assessor and record the 8% of the Gross Revenue Tax Levy (GRTL) for the Aransas County Indigent Health Care Program Fiscal Year September 1, 2016 to August 31, 2017.
10. Motion was made by Commissioner Stiles and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve Budget Line Item Transfers of which there were none.
Question. Motion carried unanimously.
It is so ordered.

(Inserts)

11. Motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve Accounts Payable.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

12. Discussion and possible action on Proposed 2017 Budget. Motion was made by Commissioner Casterline and seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve hiring an additional Animal Control Officer.

Question. Motion carried unanimously.

It is so ordered.

REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS, ELECTED OFFICIALS &

DEPARTMENT HEADS WHEREIN NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN

Lezlie Kirk read the fee report.

Pat Rousseau wanted to remind the court that open enrollment is scheduled for Tuesday, August 23, 2016 from 7:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and again on Wednesday, August 24, 2016 from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Emergency Operations Center at the Sheriff's office.

REPORTS ABOUT ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

REGARDING WHICH NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN

There were none.

(Insert)

No further business presenting, the Court adjourned at 9:42 a.m. on a motion made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Casterline.

C. H. "BURT" MILLS, JR., COUNTY JUDGE

VALERIE K. AMASON,
EX-OFFICIO CLERK OF THE
COMMISSIONERS' COURT